

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional) 44599/1006

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In re Application of Notomi et al.

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| Application Number 10/782,040 | Filed 02/19/2004 |
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For METHOD OF SYNTHESIZING NUCLEIC ACID

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| Group Art Unit 1637 | Examiner Christopher M. Babic |
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) - (\$60/\$120)                 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) - (\$230/\$460)               | \$ _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) - (\$525/\$1050) | \$ 1050  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) - (\$820/\$1640)             | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) - (\$1115/\$2230)            | \$ _____ |

- Applicant claims small entity status.
- A check to cover the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 141138. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

I am the  applicant/inventor

- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record.
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_\_\_\_\_.

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 /Edwin V. Merkel/

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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